

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79327

Chiaki SOTOWA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/585,205

Group Art Unit: 1745

Confirmation No.: 9588

Examiner: Gregg CANTELMO

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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL FOR LITHIUM BATTERY, AND LITHIUM BATTERY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement dated May 3, 2010.

With respect to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-21 (drawn to a mixture of carbon, SBR and carbon fiber), for prosecution, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to request rejoinder of method claims including all of the limitations of an allowable product claim. Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected subject matter.

With respect to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants elect, also without traverse, Species II (Claim 3, wherein the technical feature therein is directed to the amount of